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DECLARATION UNDER 37 CFR § 1.132

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Sir

I, Hiroyuki TOMIZAWA, declare that I am an inventor of the present application.

I declare that the addition of Ga in the amount of "0.01 mass% through 0.08 mass% of the magnet" to a rare earth sintered magnet, where the rare earth sintered magnet includes "0.85 mass% through 0.98 mass% of Q, which is either B alone or a mixture of B and C and which is converted into B on a number of atoms basis when its mass percentage is calculated," as recited in the present claimed invention, achieved the unexpected property of the minimization of the production of the soft magnetic phase. This unexpected property is discussed in paragraph nos. [0044], [0045], [0087], and [0088] in Applicant's Specification.

I declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful talse statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or

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